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January 13, 1987

**CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Chief, Site Investigation and
Compliance Branch
Emergency and Remedial Response
Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
26 Federal Plaza
New York, NY 10278

Attn: Nigel Robinson

Re: Administrative Order
Index No. CERCLA - 50103
Asbestos Disposal Sites
Morris County, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Robinson:

This letter is written to inform you that an extension is required by National Gypsum for the submittal of the Remedial Investigation (RI) Report for the Asbestos Disposal Sites in Morris County, New Jersey.

As discussed over the past seven weeks by representatives of Fred C. Hart Associates and yourself, the need for this extension is a result of the necessity to perform further investigative work at the Great Swamp site. This work, described in an addendum submitted to EPA on January 7, 1987, includes a metal detection survey, construction of test pits, and

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waste characterization of recovered drums. Data obtained from this study is required in order to fully characterize the site and develop an accurate endangerment and feasibility study.

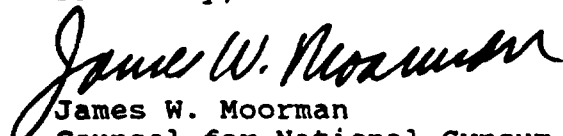
Since the data obtained from the drum investigation must be incorporated into the RI Report, National Gypsum proposes the following timetable for completion of the RI Report:

Jan. 12 - 16	Conduct metal detection survey and select test pit locations with EPA and NJDEP
Jan. 19 - 30	Perform test pit operations
Feb. 2 - Feb. 27	Await laboratory data of drum samples (2-4 weeks)
Mar. 2 - 13	Develop disposal plan
Mar. 16 - 27	Await EPA approval of disposal plan
Mar. 30 - May 22	Incorporate sampling results into RI Report and write endangerment assessment
May 29	Submit RI Report

Please confirm this extension by certified mail, return receipt requested to:

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Sincerely,


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